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Dear Mr. Gaulding:

I have reviewed all the options in your November 30, 1983, letter regarding PSD permits, and prefer to process existing permits as described in your option 1:

"When the state air contaminant discharge permit for a source with an EPA-issued PSD permit requires a modification or expires, the state should issue a new permit which removes any discrepancies with the federal permit. In those cases where the state permit contains all the provisions of the federal permit, it would be submitted to EPA for incorporation into the SIP. EPA would then approve the state permit, transferring administrative and enforcement authority of the EPA permit to the state. This process must be done on a case-by-case approach which would take a long period of time before all EPA issued permits come under the purview of the state."

This offers the most efficient means of turnover given our staffing limitations.

Please advise us as to your recommended process procedures and responsible contact person with EPA.

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